

CREDENTIALING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR GLOBAL RELIGIOUS SCIENCE MINISTRIES

The following policies and procedures are established by the Commission of Ministers (COM) for individuals requesting licensing through Global Religious Science Ministries (GRSM) and are effective from this date _____. This is a living document. (A living document is one that is not concrete but allows flexibility to make changes as requirements and circumstances of the organization change).

For each certificate requested, an administrative fee of \$5 will be paid to GRSM by the teacher/instructor. All individuals requesting licensing through GRSM must meet the standards set forth by the organization. Having completed the required class study requirements does not grant automatic licensing.

PRACTITIONER'S LICENSE

A Practitioner's License is a license verifying that the individual meets all requirements set forth by GRSM and is considered qualified to practice Science of Mind principles in their practices with Spiritual Mind Treatment. After being granted this license the Practitioner is also qualified to teach SOM I, and II. Licenses are renewable yearly.

To be granted a license the student will have successfully completed SOM I, II and III. It is imperative that the student complete at least 60 in-class hours for each course and shall complete all requirements the teacher has requested for all additional class hours that were not attended during the class year.

An enrollment application to enter Practitioner studies will be completed, given to the teacher and the teacher will forward to the Credentialing Committee.

All students requesting acceptance into the Practitioner's program will become Associate Members of GRSM and will actively participate on one of the organization's committees.

SOM I: An introduction to and study of Science of Mind/Religious Science Principles and background.

SOM II: Continuation of the study of Science of Mind and Religious Science principles plus exploring and studying the works of other new thought teachers and authors.

SOM III: At this point the student should be living the SOM/Religious Science Principles and be demonstrating their understanding of the practices by actively using Spiritual Mind Treatment for themselves and others. (Treatments and results are to be documented). The student continues to embody the understanding of cause and effect and explore modalities of healing. During this third year the student planning to request licensing may begin a relationship with the COM of GRSM and become an Associate

Member of the organization. Active participation in a local ministry/center is encouraged at this point in the process.

PRACTITIONER LICENSE APPLICATION PROCESS

1. The student receives instructions and guidelines from the teacher/instructor on how to apply.
2. The student submits five (5) case studies to the teacher/instructor to review. Case studies will be prepared in the format designated by the Credentialing Committee.
 - a. Only two (2) of the case studies may be for self. At least three (3) of the case studies will be for others.
 - b. Case studies will provide the background history of the client
 - c. Case studies will identify and describe the root causes of the situation.
 - d. Case studies will include a detailed description of the treatment performed.
 - e. Case studies will include a brief, signed testimony stating the results.
 - f. Each case study requires the signature of the client. (When the case study is of self, the study must be signed by the individual's teacher/instructor to validate the case).
3. When the teacher/instructor agrees that the student is ready to proceed, an application package will be prepared and submitted to the Credentialing Committee Chairperson. The package will contain the following information.
 - a. Five (5) copies of the selected five (5) case studies.
 - b. A letter from the teacher/instructor recommending that the candidate be granted a Practitioner's License. (Letter should state why the teacher/instructor believes the candidate is qualified). Include the original and four (4) copies.
 - c. A post-dated check for \$50.00. This is the licensing fee/membership fee to GRSM for one (1) year. Membership fees are due September of each year and must be paid in order to remain in good standing with the organization. (Fees will be prorated for 1 May candidates. The check will be returned if there is a delay in licensing for the current session).
 - d. Five (5) copies of the candidates SOM I and SOM II certificates.
4. The teacher/instructor will retain one (1) copy of the package that is submitted for his/her records.
5. To be interviewed by the Spring panel: packages must be received by the Credentialing Committee Chairperson no later than 1 May.
6. To be interviewed by the Fall panel: packages must be received by the Credentialing Committee Chairperson no later than 21 November.
7. Once the Credentialing Committee Chairperson receives the package:
 - a. A committee meeting will be arranged to review the package and to insure the information meets GRSM criteria.
 - b. The credentialing committee will make a recommendation to the COM to proceed with the panel interviews.
 - c. If the committee finds that the requirements are not met, the package will be returned to the teacher/instructor detailing why it has been returned.
 - d. The teacher/instructor will go over the returned package with the

candidate, the changes will be made and the package resubmitted to the Credentialing Committee Chairperson.

e. If the teacher/instructor or candidate does not agree with the findings of the Credentialing Committee, they will notify the Chairperson of the committee and the Chairperson will then make arrangements for the COM to review the case and make a determination.

MINISTERIAL LICENSE

An enrollment application to enter Ministerial studies will be completed, given to the teacher and the teacher will forward to the Credentialing Committee.

All students requesting acceptance into the Ministerial program will maintain an Associate Membership in GRSM and will actively participate on one of the organization's committees

In order to be eligible to apply for a Minister's license through GRSM, it is necessary for the applicant to have a valid Practitioner's License, be in good standing with the organization and complete the required two (2) year Ministerial course. Completing the course does not automatically grant a ministerial license to the student. Ministerial licenses are renewable yearly.

MINISTERIAL COURSE STUDY: By the end of the fifth year the student should have completed 150 hours of in-class study, be a practicing Religious Science Practitioner and be a member in good standing with GRSM. This study will cover:

- a. A study of world religions.
- b. A three (3) to five (5) page term paper on one of the religions studied.
- c. A study of new thought leaders.
- d. A three (3) to five (5) page term paper on one of the new thought leaders.
- e. The student will begin keeping a log of pertinent information to be used in the development of an essay.
- f. The student becomes familiar with spiritual counseling skills.
- g. The student will complete and conduct practice ceremonies for a funeral, a christening, a wedding, and a house blessing.
- h. The student will participate in public speaking opportunities.
- i. The student will be actively involved in a local center/ministry through participation and volunteer work.
- j. The student will expand his/her relationship with the GRSM COM.
- k. The student will complete an essay according to the GRSM guidelines described below.
- l. The student will actively explore the path his/her ministry may take.
- m. The student will have completed 2 workshops on Organizational Management and Business Planning provided by GRSM COM.

ESSAY: The essay is a professional paper. It is to be prepared according to the American Psychological Association (APA) format. It will be 20 to 25 pages of text, be

typed in a 12 point font, and have a minimum of five (5) research references. The theme of the thesis will revolve around details of how the individual has used SOM principles in his/her life from the time he/she began classes to the present. Discussion will indicate how the individual knows the law works and convince the reader that it does. In addition the text must also include:

- a. A table of contents.
- b. A title page.
- c. An introduction.
- d. A summary that brings the essay to a conclusion.
- e. A bibliography.

APPLICATION PROCESS

1. The student presents the essay to the teacher/instructor.
2. The teacher/instructor reviews the essay to see if it is correctly done.
3. When the teacher/instructor feels the essay is correct, that the student has met all criteria and is ready to apply for a ministerial license, the student may proceed to prepare the application package.
4. The application package will contain the following:
 - a. Five (5) copies of the essay
 - b. Five (5) copies of the two (2) term papers.
 - c. Five (5) copies of the Practitioner License and SOM IV and V certificates.
 - d. A post dated check for \$75 to cover licensing fee and one (1) year membership in GRSM. (The check will be returned to the applicant if for some reason the licensing is delayed for that session).
 - e. A letter and four (4) copies of the letter from the teacher/instructor requesting that the applicant be considered for a Ministerial license and the reasons the teacher/instructor believes the candidate is ready.
 - f. An audiotape or videotape of a public talk given by the candidate.
 - g. A summary of SOM activities/functions the candidate has supported/participated in during the time enrolled in ministerial classes. Include a summary of the candidate's activities/results as a SOM Practitioner.
 - h. The teacher/instructor will keep one (1) copy of the package for his/her records and mail one (1) copy of the entire package to the Commission of Ministers via the address for the Secretary of the Commission.
 - i. The teacher/instructor will submit the remaining copies of the package to the Chairperson of the Credentialing Committee.
 - j. Once the Chairperson receives the package the process will continue as in those described previously for the Practitioner's licensing procedure. (see number 7a through 7e).

PANEL INTERVIEWS: Panel Interviews are "Rights of Passage" for individuals requesting credentialing through GRSM. Prior to the panel interview the candidate will participate in an interview or personal discussion with members of the COM. This can be conducted via telephone conference or in person. As the sponsor of the candidate, the teacher/instructor will participate in this procedure. (This will be done to allow the

individual to become acquainted with COM members not known to them and will help them be more at ease during the panel interview). See number 11 under PANEL INTERVIEWS for standards.

The following guidelines are for the selection of the panel and the conducting of panel interviews.

1. The panel shall consist of at least three (3) ministers. Practitioners will be taken into consideration if for some reason there are not enough ministers available the day of the interview and only one (1) practitioner per panel will be allowed.

2. There will be no pre-selection of panels. The COM will make every effort to insure that membership attendance for that day is as high as possible.

3. Teachers/instructors of applicants will be in attendance for the COM meeting but will not be allowed to serve on the panel for that individual.

4. Each panel will select a spokesperson.

5. The spokesperson will draw one (1) of the names from those submitted.

6. Three (3) questions will be asked per panel member. A list of suggested questions will be supplied by the Credentialing Committee.

7. The panel interview will be closed by the candidate giving an impromptu treatment. (Subject of treatment to be assigned by the panel spokesperson).

8. The spokesperson will discuss the interview with panel members after the interview has concluded and present the panels recommendations in writing to the COM. This information will include positive feedback as well as recommendations for improvement.

9. The panel interview will be conducted in a relaxed, non-threatening, non-judgmental, safe atmosphere that provides support to the applicant.

10. Results will be presented to the teacher/instructor.

11. Standards set by the COM for evaluations of candidates will be utilized during each step of the process. An overall rating of 75 points is required to receive approval for ministerial licensing. The Credentialing Committee is responsible for coordinating and forwarding the final score to the COM and the teacher/instructor. When the total score is less than 75 points, the Committee will submit suggestions for changes and improvements and the candidate will resubmit the package. The following are the standards for the evaluation process:

a. Telephone/personal interview-1-15 points (personality/professional courtesy)

b. Audiotape or videotape-1-15 points (presentation, projection, and appearance)

c. Term papers-1-15 points

d. Essay-1-25 points (preparation, style, accuracy 1-10 points and convincing the reader that you have utilized/embodied/understand the SOM teachings 1-15 points)

e. Activities-1-30 points (support center, support GRSM, workshops, classes, practitioner work, etc.)

*Graduation ceremonies are left to the discretion of the teacher/instructor. It is recommended that at least one Commission member be present for remarks at the ceremonies when distance permits.

MINISTERIAL ORDINATION: Requesting procedures for ordination as a Minister with GRSM are the following.

1. The Minister requesting ordination must be a member in good standing with GRSM. This means that the candidate has developed a relationship with the COM, dues are current and the Minister has been donating to GRSM on a regular basis. (Regular basis is at least once per year).

2. The Minister must have been actively working at their ministry for at least one (1) year.

3. The Minister will submit a letter requesting ordination by GRSM to the Chairperson of the Credentialing Committee.

4. Included with the letter will be an outline of how the Minister has proceeded with his/her ministry. The outline will include all activities the candidate has been involved in that are related to his/her ministry. A short explanation of the type of ministry the candidate is planning, what the candidate's vision is for the ministry and intent/ideas for implementing the plans.

5. The Credentialing Committee will review the request and the information provided then make a recommendation to the COM.

6. The COM will make a decision then notify the candidate of the decision.

THE ORDINATION CEREMONY: This is an important ceremony and reflects upon the character of GRSM. Therefore, GRSM sets the following standards for the ordination ceremony:

1. The approved candidate will select the person from GRSM that he/she wishes to conduct the ceremony.

2. A formal ceremony will be planned and conducted. The approved candidate is responsible for all financial expenses for the ceremony and reception.

3. The approved candidate will plan the ceremony in a manner that is professional and yet takes into consideration his/her desires.

4. The plan will be presented to the COM for review prior to the formal announcement.

5. At least two (2) GRSM officials (this includes the one doing the ceremony) will attend the ceremony. If the distance is impractical for two (2) to attend then either the President or Vice President will attend.

INDIVIDUALS OUTSIDE OF GRSM REQUESTING CREDENTIALING FROM GRSM: The following procedures will be followed.

1. A professional licensed minister that is a member in good standing will serve as a sponsor and mentor to the individual requesting credentialing.

2. The individual must provide **verifiable** credentials from other organizations and a letter of request to the Chairperson of the Credentialing Committee.

3. The individual must have been active within GRSM for at least one (1) year.

4. The individual must be a member in good standing with GRSM.

5. The individual will submit a detailed vision statement of how his/her ministry is being used.

6. The Credentialing Committee will review the application and information provided and make a recommendation to the COM. (Requirements will be set by the committee on a case by case basis).

7. The COM will review the recommendations and provide the individual a detailed development plan that outlines requirements for that individual to be credentialed through GRSM.

8. When the individual clearly demonstrates that the individual/organization is in alignment with GRSM standards the process time can be advanced. The COM reserves the right to declare whether they approve or disapprove the request.

9. All individuals requesting ministerial or practitioner credentials will fulfill the requirements outlined previously in this document.

TRANSFERRING PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

The following policies and procedures apply to those individuals who request professional membership with GRSM but have been ordained through another organization.

1. The individual will choose a sponsor from the Commission of Ministers (COM).

2. The sponsor will send a letter of request and verifiable copies of the individual's credentials to the chairperson of the credentialing committee.

3. The credentialing committee will review the package and develop an individualized plan based on the following:

- a. The individual's knowledge of Science of Mind
- b. The organization from which the individual received their credentials.
- c. The actual curriculum that was covered.
- d. The individual's relationship with GRSM.
- e. Whether the individual has supported GRSM events.

4. Once the individual has met the established plan requirements, the sponsor will submit another letter of request to the credentialing committee chairperson.

5. The credentialing committee will review the request and make a suggestion to the COM.

6. The sponsor will be notified of the decision.

7. Accepted applicants will be recognized at the next scheduled meeting of the COM.

8. In cases where the individual does not have a SOM Practitioner's license, the individual will be given one (1) year from the date of recognition to complete the requirements of five (5) case studies.

***NOTE:** A Practitioner's license is required in order for the individual to teach credentialed SOM I & II classes.

DOCTORATE PROGRAMS: The criteria for these program is as follows:

Honorary Doctorate:

1. Individual must be nominated by a professional member of GRSM.

Criteria for Consideration:

1. Individual must have served three (3) years on the Commission of Ministers (COM) or been active on one of the committees for the same period of time.
2. Individual must have taught credentialed SOM classes for five (5) consecutive years or consistently held workshops, study groups, SOM practice or ministry.
3. Individual must maintain “member in good standing” status for three (3) consecutive years.
4. Individual must have made a significant contribution to the advancement of Religious Science principles or to the development and promotion of GRSM.

Procedure for Nomination:

1. A nomination letter must be forwarded to the chairperson of the credentialing committee detailing the above listed accomplishments.
2. The credentialing committee will verify the validity of the nomination and make a recommendation to the COM.
3. The nominating individual will be notified of the decision.
4. When the committee feels that the requirements have not been met, the nominating individual will be notified with an explanation detailing the reasons for rejection.

Doctorate of Divinity:

1. A request to enter the program will be sent to the Chairperson of the credentialing committee.
2. A sponsor from the COM will be assigned to the individual.
3. Individual must have served three (3) consecutive years on the COM or one of its committees.
4. Individual must have taught credentialed SOM classes for three (3) consecutive years or consistently held workshops, study groups, SOM practice or ministry.
5. Individual must have maintained a “member in good standing” status for three (3) consecutive years.
6. Individual must have had a verifiable published work on a New Thought topic.
7. Individual must be a professional member of GRSM.
8. Individual will select a specialized area of New Thought/Metaphysics. This can be done by teaching or conducting workshops, seminars, lectures, hands-on application and/or by developing a clientele that demonstrates their expertise in the chosen specialty.
9. Individual will develop, organize, advertise and implement one of the events mentioned in number 8 and donate the profit to GRSM.
 - a. Members of the credentialing committee and COM will attend the event to observe and evaluate.
10. Individual must have actively pursued their personal ministry during the three (3)

year period.

11. Individual will do a dissertation according to the guidelines set forth in the requirements for ministerial licensing. The dissertation will be on the chosen specialized area and will cover why the field was chosen, significant contributions, experiments and findings on the subject that have been established by the individual and how the individual has utilized the training in their own life.

2. After all criteria is met, the individual will submit a package to the Credentialing Committee along with a letter of recommendation from the sponsor to approve the individual as a Doctor of Divinity.

3. Credentialing committee will review and make a recommendation to the COM.

4. A Graduation ceremony will be conducted.

MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING: A member in good standing is one that pays dues to GRSM and keeps his/her license current, donates to GRSM, and actively supports functions of GRSM (attending at least one COM meeting per year) and functions of members of GRSM. Active support means that the individual attends COM meetings and/or participates on a GRSM committee. In cases where the individual lives a long distance from the meeting site, the individual will submit quarterly reports to GRSM of activities the individual is involved in and may participate in conference calls of the committee (participation in at least one (1) conference call per year is required). A letter will be mailed to each member in August of each year to show them which requirements they have met for the current year. This will remind them of the additional requirements that need to be met.

Rating for ministerial licensing: Copy to be given to each ministerial student.

Standards set by the COM for evaluations of candidates will be utilized during each step of the process. An overall rating of 75 points is required to receive approval for ministerial licensing. The Credentialing Committee is responsible for coordinating and forwarding the final score to the COM and the teacher/instructor. When the total score is less than 75 points, the Committee will submit suggestions for changes and improvements and the candidate will resubmit the package. The following are the standards for the evaluation process:

- c. Telephone/personal interview-1-15 points (personality/professional courtesy)
- d. Audiotape or videotape-1-15 points (presentation, projection, and appearance)
- d. Term papers-1-15 points
- d. Essay-1-25 points (preparation, style, accuracy 1-10 points and convincing the reader that you have utilized/embodied/understand the SOM teachings 1-15 points)
- e. Activities-1-30 points (support center, support GRSM, workshops, classes, practitioner work, etc.)

INDIVIDUAL EVALUATION

NAME _____

DATE _____

INTERVIEW _____

TAPE _____

TERM PAPERS _____

ESSAY _____

ACTIVITIES _____

TOTAL POINTS _____

GLOBAL RELIGIOUS SCIENCE MINISTRIES PRACTITIONER APPLICATION CHECKLIST

1. Five (5) copies of the selected (5) case studies _____
2. A letter from the teacher/instructor recommending that the candidate be granted a Practitioner's License. Include the original and four (4) copies _____
3. A post-dated check payable to GRSM to cover membership fee _____ (see policies & procedures for correct fee)
4. \$5 administrative fee for certificate _____
5. Five (5) copies of the candidates SOM I and SOM II certificates _____

Note **Teacher/instructor retains one (1) copy of the submittal package and mails the original and (3) copies to Chairperson of Credentialing Committee.

One (1) copy of the entire package will be mailed to the Commission of Ministers via the address for the Secretary of the Commission.

(To insure that package is received: we suggest that you hand deliver or mail the package return receipt requested or call the chairperson several days prior to the required receipt date to verify that the package has been received).

To be interviewed by Spring panel: package must be received no later than May 1.

To be interviewed by Fall panel: package must be received no later than November 21.

GLOBAL RELIGIOUS SCIENCE MINISTRIES

MINISTER

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

1. Five (5) copies of the essay_____
2. Five (5) copies of the two (2) term papers_____
3. Five (5) copies of the Practitioner License and SOM IV and V certificates_____
4. A post dated check to cover licensing fee (see policies & procedures for correct fee)_____
5. \$10 administrative fee for certificate and handbook_____
6. A letter and four (4) copies of the letter from the teacher/instructor requesting that the applicant be considered for a Ministerial license and the reasons the teacher/instructor believes the candidate is ready_____
7. An audiotape or videotape of a public talk given by the candidate_____
8. A summary of SOM activities/functions the candidate has supported/participated in during the time enrolled in ministerial classes. Include a summary of the candidate's activities/results as a SOM Practitioner_____
9. Copy of certificate of completion of for Organizational Management and Business Planning.

****NOTE The teacher/instructor will keep one (1) copy of the package for his/her records.**

One (1) copy of the entire package will be mailed to the Commission of Ministers via the address for the Secretary of the Commission.

The teacher/instructor will submit the remaining copies of the package to the Chairperson of the Credentialing Committee.

(To insure that package is received: we suggest that you hand deliver or mail the package return receipt requested or call the chairperson several days prior to the required date to verify that the package has been received).

To be interviewed by Spring panel: package must be received no later than May 1. To be interviewed by Fall panel: package must be received no later than November 21.

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ORDINATION

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

1. The Minister will submit a letter requesting ordination by GRSM to the Chairperson of the Credentialing Committee_____
2. An outline of how the Minister has proceeded with his/her ministry. Outline will include all activities the candidate has been involved in that are related to his/her ministry_____
3. A short explanation of the type of ministry the candidate is planning, what the candidate's vision is for the ministry and intent/ideas for implementing the plans_____
4. \$5 check payable to GRSM for certificate_____
5. A statement of how you plan to support GRSM.

NOTEOne (1) copy of the entire package will be mailed to the Commission of Ministers via the address for the Secretary of the Commission.**

Submit a copy of the package to the Chairperson of the Credentialing Committee.

(To insure that package is received: we suggest that you hand deliver or mail the package return receipt requested or call the chairperson several days prior to the required date to verify that the package has been received).

GLOBAL RELIGIOUS SCIENCE MINISTRIES
APPLICANTS FROM OUTSIDE GRSM
REQUESTING CREDENTIALING THROUGH
GRSM

1. **Verifiable** credentials from other organizations_____
2. Submit a letter of request_____
3. Have been active within GRSM for at least one (1) year_____
4. A member in good standing with GRSM. (see policies & procedures for definition of member in good standing)_____
5. A detailed vision statement of how ministry is being used_____
6. Letter from sponsor/mentor recommending acceptance of applicant_____

NOTEOne (1) copy of the entire package will be mailed to the Commission of Ministers via the address for the Secretary of the Commission.**

Submit a copy of the package to the Chairperson of the Credentialing Committee.

(To insure that package is received: we suggest that you hand deliver or mail the package return receipt requested or call the chairperson several days prior to the required date to verify that the package has been received).

After the Credentialing Committee and the COM makes a decision, further instructions will be provided to the candidate depending on the type of credentialing being requested. The same policies and procedures will apply to all requests from within and without the organization. Criteria must be met and fees paid in order to be certified.

GLOBAL RELIGIOUS SCIENCE MINISTRIES CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE CHECKLIST FOR MINISTERIAL CANDIDATES

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1. Telephone/personal interview-1-15 points (personality/professional courtesy) _____
 2. Audiotape or videotape-1-15 points (presentation, projection, and appearance) _____
 3. Term papers-1-15 points _____
 4. Essay-1-25 points (preparation, style, accuracy 1-10 points and convincing the reader that you have utilized/embodied/understand the SOM teachings 1-15 points) _____
 5. Activities-1-30 points (support center, support GRSM, workshops, classes, practitioner work, etc.) _____
- total** _____

RECOMMENDATION:

GLOBAL RELIGIOUS SCIENCE MINISTRIES SUGGESTIONS FOR PRACTITIONER PANEL QUESTIONS

***NOTE:** These are suggestions. We rely upon panel members to use their intuition and discretion when conducting the interview. Remember that it is important to provide a non-threatening atmosphere for the candidate.

- 1. Tell us how you became involved in SOM and what impact it has made on you.**
- 2. Explain first cause.**
- 3. Explain the law of cause and effect.**
- 4. Who is the healer and where does the healing take place?**
- 5. Under what circumstances should a practitioner refer a client to another practitioner?**
- 6. What is your opinion about charging fees for treatment?**
- 7. Why did you choose to become a practitioner and how do you plan to use the license?**
- 8. What preparations, if any have you made for beginning a SOM practitioner practice?**
- 9. Do you understand that licensing is conditional and renewable?**
- 10. GRSM supports your work as a practitioner by providing educational, spiritual and mentor guidance, as well as networking opportunities and web site exposure. How do you plan to support GRSM?**
- 11. What does it mean to be a member in good standing?**
- 12. How does treatment differ from traditional prayer?**
- 13. How often should a practitioner treat?**
- 14. When is a treatment complete?**
- 15. How does treatment work?**
- 16. Have the candidate do a treatment; either for the group as a whole, or for a situation or person that someone has requested treatment for.**

Numbers 3, 10 and 16 are mandatory

GLOBAL RELIGIOUS SCIENCE MINISTRIES SUGGESTIONS FOR MINISTERIAL PANEL QUESTIONS

***NOTE:** These are suggestion. We rely upon panel members to use their intuition and discretion when conducting the interview. Remember that it is important to provide a non-threatening atmosphere for the candidate.

- 1. Tell us why you want to be a minister.**
- 2. What are a minister's responsibilities?**
- 3. How have you used your practitioner's license?**
- 4. Tell us about some of the most challenging things you have been involved with in the two years of ministerial studies.**
- 5. What type of ministry do you plan to have?**
- 6. What plans/preparations have you made for beginning your ministry?**
- 7. Why do you think you will make a good minister?**
- 8. Do you plan to teach SOM classes?**
- 9. GRSM supports your work as a minister by providing educational, spiritual and mentor guidance, as well as networking opportunities, referrals, student credentialing and web site exposure. How do you plan to support GRSM?**
- 10. What does it mean to be a member in good standing?**
- 11. Tell us what you know about GRSM.**
- 12. What do you feel will be the most rewarding part of being a minister?**
- 13. What do you feel will be the hardest part of being a minister?**
- 14. Who is the healer?**
- 15. Are you willing to openly share your personal experiences with others?**
- 16. Why is treatment so important?**
- 17. Have the candidate do a treatment; either for the group as a whole, or for a situation or person that someone has requested treatment for.**
- 18. Choose a topic and have the candidate do a 3 minute impromptu speech.**

****** Questions 9, 17 are mandatory******